up following the recommendations of an ILO technical mission and with the support of the ILO; The original project proposed envisaged financial assistance in part from foreign donors. After careful consideration Government decided to fund this programme from its own resources and therefore, recast it slightly by closely involving the State Government. Two separate pilot projects have been prepared for the benefit of child labour jn the two areas wViere there js concentration of child labour viz. the match and firewarks industry in Sivalcasi, Tamil Nadu and the carpet weaving industry in Mirzapur—, Bhadohi area of UP.

The Sivakasi project has *been* launched in April, 1986. The Mirzapur-Bhidohi project is being finalised in consultation with the Government of Uttar Pradesh.

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The objectives of the pilot projects are:—

(a) to raise rbe income levels of the . families of the child workers by cover-„ ing them under fhe existing income generating schemes,

(b) to provide non-formal education to the child workes and to their parients,

(c) to provide better health care to the child workers,

(d) to improve the conditions of work and items of employment of the child ren,

(e) to improve the nutritional levels of the child workers, and

(f) to raise the general awareness and social consciousness of the people of the area.

Loans advanced to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

- 1069. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: ' Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(0 what is the total amount of loan disbursed by the various nationalised and other banks to persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and weaker sections of the society during 1934-85 and 1985-86; and

(b) what is the total amount 6f the loan amount recovered t'll March 31, 1986?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Total advances of the public sector banks to weaker section and SC|ST beneficiaries under priority sector as at the end of December 1984 and December 1985 are given below:—

(Amount in Rs crors)

(Amount outstanding)

	December 1984	December 1985
1. Priority Sector Advances to Weaker Sections	3721	4894
2. Priority Sector Advances to SC/ST . .	985	1307

(b) The present data reporting system of Reserve Bank of India does not yield information relating to recovery of advances separtely for SCjST Weaker Section beneficiaries.

Subsidies on export

1070. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state what was the amount of various types of subsidies given on exPorts during the ye>.rs 1984-85 and 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): A statement is attached.

Statement

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Cash Compensatory Support	Grant-in-aid to export promotion and market development Organisations.	Interest subsidy
1	2	3	4
1984-85	487·75	10 25	20 00
1985-86 (Prov.)	569·99	12·25	24·70

Doctors, Engineers and Scientists registered with Employment Exchanges

1071. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

13) the number of doctors, engineers and scientists registered in Employment Exchanges In ench State during the years 1984 and 1985; and

(b) th,5 number of doctors engineers and scientists give$_n$ employment in various states during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE placements effected by Employment Ex- SANGMA): (a) Available information is furnished in the Statement—I enclosed (see Appendix CXXXVlII Annexure No. 28]

(b) Available information regarding placements eectefi by Employment Exchanges is furnished in the Statcment-IT enclosed.

[see Appendix CXXXVlII Annexure No. 29]

Unfair Labour practices in Bhsrat Colsfrg Coal

1072. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased *to* state:

(a) whether Government have received any memorandum dated the 16th December 1%5 from Bharat Coking Coal Staff Coordination. Dhanbad regarding unfair labour practices being adopted by the management of Bharat Coking Coal;

(b) if so, what are the details in this re gard;

(c) whether Government has taken any step$_s$ on the basis of 'he memorandum; and

(dj if so, what ar$_e$ the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PA SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

fb) The Bharat Coking Coal Staff Coordination's letter contains allegations of ad ministrative irregularities and' acts of l",i\ oi'.rilism on ^{tne} part of an officer of Bharat Cekin$_7$ Coal Ltd., j$_n$ dealing with cases of unions[workers.

(c) and (d) The Coordination's letter has been forwarded t$_0$ fhe Department of Coal who are administratively concerned with Bharat Coking CoVil Litd., with an advice to look int$_0$ the allegations and tak$_e$ necessary action for prevention ,$_0$f alleged unfair labour practices.

P. F. statement and account slips to employees

1073. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware

that the employees of different establishments are not getting their yearly P F. statement and account slips regularly;

(b) whether it is a fact that nonrefundable loan and P. F. final settlement are not being processed properly;

(c) whether Government have received any complaint in this regard;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) what steps are being taken by Government to see that the employees are not harassed by the P. F. offices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) The Government is aware of large pendency in the issue of annual statement of account-;

(b) During the year 1984-85, 5,02,278 porvident fund claims amounting to Rs, 268.27 crcres and 2,96,360 applica tions for withdrawals amounting to Rs. 82.40 crores, were settled. How-, ever, the pendency both ;n case of non-refundable claims cases and final tement of cases remains considerable .

(c) to (e) A joint letter signed by some Honourable M.P. stating *inter a\la* that the RPFC's office in Calcutta was not functioning property and that there were delays in settlement of claims, issue of annual statement of accounts, etc. was received recently. A new RPFC has since been posted In Calcutta and he has been instructed to rniake special efforts to gear up the administration and to take steps for expeditious settlement of pending claims, etc. This position is being regularly monitored and it is expected that there will be considerable improve ment as a result of the administrative changes «nJ 'ieamlining of proce dures.

Relief from payment of Excise Daty sought for by Industries

1074. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:

SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as reces sion is setting in the country, indus^ tries both in the large and small scale sectors, have started laying off of labour and have suspended the lifting of goods against orders -placed earlier and also have approached Government for relief from excise duty;

(b) if so, how Government propose to combat the situation;

(c) whether plea for cuts in excise duty is going to be granted; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJAMfTTa) A significant increase in industrial production and revenue realisation during 1985-86 over the corresponding months of 1984-85 clearly shows that there is evidence of recession in the economy. However, production in individual industries and units, as weh as demand and supply of different products, are influenced by a variety of factors operating from time to time. There has been no demand for excise duty relief in general on this account.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

हथकरघा क्षेत्र के लिये आरक्षित वस्तुएं

1075. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) नई वस्त्र नीति में हथकरघा क्षेत्र के लिये आरक्षित वस्तुओं और पुरानी वस्त्र नीति में हथकरघा क्षेत्र के लिये आरक्षित बारह वस्तुओं के वास्तविक मूल्य तथा बाजार मूल्य में क्या अन्तर है ; और